CONSTABULARY (IRELAND).

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 8 August 1867;—*for*,

NOMINAL LIST "of OFFICERS, HEAD and other CONSTABLES in *Ireland*, actually under FIRE in the Defence of their BARRACKS, or in Collisions outside thereof, on the occasion of the late FENIAN OUTBREAK, with the approved Distribution of the Sum of £.2,000 Voted as a Reward by Parliament:"

"And, COPY of CORRESPONDENCE between the Irish Government, the Inspector General of Constabulary, and the Treasury, on the Subject of the above-mentioned Reward."

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Note.—Officers, Head or or other Constables in charge, are inserted in *italics*.

County, &c.	Locality.	Rank.	Name.	Reg. No.	Sum awarded. £.	s.	d.
Drogheda	Potato Market	Sub-Inspector in charge	*Gardiner, Robert*	-	104	-	-
Dublin	Tallaght	ditto	*Burke, D. F.*	-	104	-	-
Limerick	Kilmallock	ditto	*Milling, Oliver*	-	104	-	-
Ditto	ditto	Head Constable in charge	*Adams, Richard*	5,042	70	-	-
Drogheda	Potato Market	Head Constable	Coghlan, Jeremiah	2,747	50	-	-
Dublin	Tallaght	ditto	Kennedy, John	1,548	50	-	-
Cork, E. R.	Castlemartyr	Constable in charge	*O'Connell, James*	11,800	34	-	-
Dublin	Glencullen	ditto	*O'Brien, John*	10,920	34	-	-
Limerick	Ardagh	ditto	*Forsythe, George*	10,814	34	-	-
Tipperary, S.	Emly	ditto	*Derwan, Patrick*	11,508	34	-	-
Ditto	Gurtavoher	ditto	*Scurry, Martin*	10,458	34	-	-
Drogheda	Potato Market	Constable	Coen, Andrew	5,712	20	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Collum, Thomas	8,953	20	-	-
Dublin	Tallaght	ditto	Shannon, John	2,519	20	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Hall, George	22,668	20	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Pinkerton, James	17,088	20	-	-
Limerick	Kilmallock	ditto	Purcell, Tobias	18,435	20	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Lilly, Robert	7,724	20	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Gormly, James	8,129	20	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Callaghan, Myles	11,460	20	-	-
Cork, E. R.	Middleton	Acting Constable in charge	*Greany, Patrick*	16,836	20	-	-
Drogheda	Potato Market	Acting Constable	Walsh, John	9,226	18	-	-
Limerick	Kilmallock	ditto	Duffiey, Michael	5,768	18	-	-
Cork, E. R.	Castlemartyr	Sub-Constable	Foy, Michael	5,461	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Corry, Patrick	15,357	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Thompson, John	28,464	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Browne, Michael	29,383	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Delaney, Nicholas	30,125	15	-	-
Drogheda	Potato Market	ditto	Carroll, Stewart	30,864	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Cassidy, James	27,140	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Denigan, John	28,907	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Fearon, John	11,527	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Foley. John, jun.	27,062	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Gannon, John	16,699	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Gavin, James	29,223	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Hogan, Patrick	23,021	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Kenny, Patrick	29,090	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Kiely, John	16,459	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Caig, William	30,251	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Miskill, Thomas	8,407	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Mitchell, Joseph	5,089	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Murphy, Anthony	23,337	15	-	-
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Murphy, John	29,214	15	-	-

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Drogheda	Potato Market	Sub-Constable	Murray, Thomas	17,570	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	O'Hara, Thomas	15,314	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Price, William	24,749	15	–	–
Cork, E. R.	Middleton	ditto	O'Donnell, Michael	29,554	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	O'Brien, John	32,129	15	–	–
Dublin	Tallaght	ditto	Kenny, James	27,800	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Cormick, Martin	26,981	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Nickel, Samuel	17,810	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Kelly, Michael H.	22,413	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Hare, George	21,319	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Graham, Charles	29,042	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Glinchy, Michael	29,439	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Murray, Jeremiah	30,984	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Kelly, Denis	28,753	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Kavanagh, Patrick	23,970	15	–	–
Ditto	Glencullen	ditto	O'Neill, James	5,131	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Shortall, Richard	17,729	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Coffey, John	32,223	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Farrar, John	30,433	15	–	–
Ditto	Palmerstown	ditto	Blair, John	31,741	15	–	–
Kerry	Nimmo's Bridge	ditto	Duggan, William	18,699	15	–	–
Limerick	Kilmallock	ditto	Coughlin, Stephen	31,833	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Say, Daniel	21,378	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Thorpe, Thomas	30,735	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Moynihan, Humphrey	11,440	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Moynihan, Patrick	23,308	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Namara, Michael	20,670	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Riordan, Daniel	29,385	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Stack, Robert	25,082	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Bushell, James	4,513	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Carbey, Terence	31,879	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Daulton, Michael	29,321	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Davis, John	31,898	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Eakins, George	8,723	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Green, Joseph	20,253	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Sharry, Bernard	30,349	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Verden, James	25,327	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Healy, Thomas	28,906	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Masters, Michael	31,165	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Dwyer, James	29,230	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Reilly, James	30,780	15	–	–
Ditto	Ardagh	ditto	Curren, Patrick	31,313	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Duff, Patrick	4,081	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Highland, Michael	30,690	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Carthy, John	18,337	15	–	–
Tipperary, S.	Emly	ditto	Crahan, Nicholas	31,088	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Duffield, William	27,270	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Hoey, David	29,798	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Cormick, James	28,485	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Kenzie, William	25,502	15	–	–
Ditto	Gurtavoher	ditto	Greally, George	13,838	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Carthy, James	30,057	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Kennedy, John	10,035	15	–	–
Ditto	ditto	ditto	M'Collum, John	31,928	15	–	–
				£.	2,000	–	–

(signed) *J. Stewart Wood*, Colonel,
Inspector General of Constabulary.

The officers and men have received the sums inserted opposite their names.

26 July 1837.

(signed) *J. Stewart Wood*, I. G.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

The Chief Secretary for *Ireland* to the Inspector General of Constabulary.

Sir, Dublin Castle, 14 March 1867.

THE Lord Lieutenant being anxious at the earliest moment to mark the high sense which the Government entertain of the gallantry and fidelity displayed by many members of the Constabulary during the past week, I am directed by his Excellency to say that he wishes you to consider the mode in which you would recommend that the rewards should be bestowed on those who have particularly distinguished themselves. His Excellency is anxious that they should be of a substantial nature, and given in a manner which you may consider most gratifying to the feelings of the members of the force.

It will be understood that a reward will only be given to those who have defended their barracks against open attack, or were engaged in actual conflict with persons in arms against the Queen's authority.

I am, &c.
(signed) *Naas.*

The Inspector General of Constabulary.

The Inspector General of Constabulary to the Chief Secretary for *Ireland.*

Constabulary Office, Dublin,
15 March 1867.

My Lord,

I HAVE to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's letter of yesterday, expressing the desire of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant to mark the sense entertained by the Government of the gallantry and fidelity of many members of the Irish Constabulary during the past week, and desiring my opinion as to the best mode in which the proposed reward should be bestowed.

It is exceedingly gratifying to me to have received such a letter, the terms of which render it necessary for me to enlarge upon the merits of the force, and, the more so as they have been so universally appreciated by the public at large. I will therefore come at once to the point in question, and I hope I may not be considered extravagant in suggesting that the services of the Irish Constabulary be acknowledged in the Houses of Parliament by a vote of the sum of 2,000*l.*, to be placed in my hands, for the purpose of rewarding those men who have particularly signalised themselves by gallantry; and that Her Majesty be moved to recognise the services of officers and men by Her graciously directing a letter to be written conveying Her thanks, and commanding that the designation of the Force should hereafter be "The Royal," or "The Queen's" Constabulary of Ireland, persuaded as I am that this honour would be most highly appreciated by officers and men.

I have, &c.
(signed) *J. Stewart Wood*, Colonel,
Inspector General.

To the Right Hon. Lord Naas, M.P.
Chief Secretary.

The Chief Secretary for *Ireland* to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir, Irish Office, 20 March 1867.

I AM directed by the Lord Lieutenant to transmit to you, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, a copy of a letter which, by his Excellency's desire, I have addressed to the Inspector General of Constabulary, together with that officer's reply.

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His Excellency is most anxious to be enabled to take the earliest opportunity of marking, in a substantial manner, the high sense which he entertains of the loyalty, fidelity, and courage which have been so signally displayed during the past week by many members of the Irish Constabulary.

The well-known and often tried qualities of this splendid force have never been exhibited in brighter colours than during the last few days.

Eleven thousand men placed by small detachments in 1,600 stations, have for years discharged with success many and varied duties of an important character. Their general conduct has been excellent; the highest state of discipline has been invariably maintained, and while many efforts have been made to corrupt their fidelity, they have never wavered in their allegiance, and not even a suspicion of disloyalty has attached itself to any appreciable number of the body.

The sudden appearance of small bodies of armed men connected with the Fenian conspiracy in various parts of the country on the nights of the 5th and 6th instant, tested severely the courage and faithfulness of the force. The Constabulary stations appear to have been specially marked as the first objects of attack; and in fact the offensive operations of the insurgents were almost wholly directed against them. I will briefly describe the most prominent of these occurrences.

1. *Tallaght* (*County Dublin*).—After dark on the 5th March, Sub-inspector Burke, of Rathfarnham, was dispatched to Tallaght with a small party, for the purpose of strengthening the station there, where a gathering was apprehended; when within about 40 yards of the barrack he came up with a party of Fenians, with a cart of ammunition, which he seized, turning out the men in the barrack to secure it. The men at the cart were seized, others fled; the ammunition was carried into the barrack. Immediately a large body of Fenians came up the Clondalkin-road; Mr. Burke called on them to disperse, threatening to fire on them if they did not. They did for the moment retire somewhat, firing some shots as they went. They crossed the fields to the right, and then came up the Dublin-road in close array. Mr. Burke again called on them to disperse, when the word was given, and a volley of about 20 shots was fired at Mr. Burke's party, at a distance of about 40 paces, happily without effect. The Constabulary then, consisting of 12 men, fired a volley at the Fenians. Two of the Fenians were subsequently found wounded on the road (one mortally); the rest threw down their arms and ran away. Mr. Burke and his party picked up 11 long Enfield rifles, with bayonets, bearing the Tower mark; also a great quantity of ammunition, which was strewed on the road. Many arrests were made that night by Mr. Burke and party. In the morning there were upwards of 50 prisoners in the Tullaght barrack, all of whom were taken up by his party; many of the prisoners with ammunition about them. In the course of the day these were removed, under a military escort, to Dublin.

2. *Kilmallock* (*County Limerick*).—On the morning of the 6th March a telegram was received by the Inspector General, that the "Kilmallock party was being attacked, and firing going on." A further official report stated that at 6 o'clock on that morning an armed party of Fenians surrounded the barrack front and rear, and endeavoured to set fire to the front door, smearing it with a combustible liquid. They were interrupted in this process by the police inside, 14 in number, under Head-constable Adams, who fired upon their assailants. The latter then began to fire into every door and window of the barrack. "Captain Dunne" was in command of the insurgents, dressed in a full suit of green uniform, a plume of feathers in his cap. About 8 a.m. Sub-inspector Milling arrived with a party of 10 men from Kilfinane, the assault on the barrack being then at its height, the building being completely surrounded by the insurgents. Mr. Milling brought up his little party on the flank, and attacked them, by which they were disconcerted, and moved somewhat away from the barrack, keeping up their fire on all sides, though at a greater distance. The firing went on until 10 a.m., when the insurgents (leaving two men dead) left the town, taking the fields in small parties, throwing

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throwing away guns, pikes, pistols, swords, &c. In the barrack-yard was found a tar-barrel, with straw (doubtless intended to fire the barrack), and a tin vessel, believed to contain the composition called Greek fire. The police had many narrow escapes, but, providentially, none were hurt.

3. *Emly* (*County Tipperary*).—About half-past 12, midnight, 5-6 March, the small party here (consisting of a constable and five men) were attacked by a large party of Fenians, who demanded the arms of the police, threatening to burn the barrack if refused. The police did refuse. The insurgents then fired through the windows; the fire was returned by the police, who defended their barrack until their assailants retired.

4. *Ardagh* (*County Limerick*).—At midnight, 5-6 March, this barrack was attacked by a large number of Fenians, who surrounded the house, and demanded the immediate surrender of the police; one party commenced a fusilade through the windows, another party forced the kitchen door, and effected an entrance. The party of police consisted of a constable and four sub-constables; they defended their barrack, and beat off their assailants; the man who attempted to ascend the stairs through the breach was wounded, but carried off by the insurgents, who retreated, leaving behind them eight pikes with long handles, and other offensive weapons; a large heap of straw was also found in the barrack-yard, doubtless intended for firing the barrack. The barrack windows were perfectly riddled.

5 *Castlemartyr* (*County Cork*).—At two in the morning of the 6th instant, a large body of Fenians attacked this barrack, and attempted to force an entrance; they fired several shots through the windows without effect; when endeavouring to effect an entrance, the constable and his party (consisting of seven men in the whole) several times fired upon them, and one of the assailants was shot dead on the spot; he was a returned emigrant; on his person was found a revolver, haversack, &c.; others are believed to have been wounded, but the insurgents, finding the Constabulary prepared, retreated, taking with them all but the dead man. Previously to the attack, they had set fire to a rick of a straw in the vicinity of the barrack, in order to draw the police out, but the ruse did not succeed. The police, accompanied by a party of military, at a later hour, set out in the direction the rebels were supposed to have taken, but the only trace found was a quantity of rifle ball cartridges, which appeared to have been lost or thrown away. There had been three parties of Fenians acting simultaneously in different directions in the neighbourhood of Castlemartyr and Knockadoon, one of which had disarmed the coast-guard party.

6. *Middleton* (*County Cork*).—At 11 p.m. on the 5th instant, a police patrol of four men had just proceeded from the barrack, when a party of 40 or 50 Fenians, many of them armed, encountered the patrol, calling upon them, in the name of the "Irish Republic," to surrender; without further warning, a number of shots were fired upon the patrol, one of whom, Sub-constable Patrick Sheedy, was almost instantly killed, and another wounded; the rest escaped, in the darkness, to the barrack, but the party inside, unaware who was knocking, delayed to open the door, and they had to find shelter as best they could; the rifle of the wounded sub-constable was taken from him, and the rifle and accoutrements of the deceased policeman were also taken; the barrack was not attacked.

7. *Palmerstown* (*County Dublin*).—At about 11 p.m. on 5th March a number of men (believed to be 40 or 50) knocked at the door of this barrack, with a story about a stray cow; only a single policeman was there, the rest of the party being on duty at Clondalkin, where mischief was anticipated; they pretended to be the bearers of a letter from a neighbouring gentleman, and on the sub-constable's opening the door partially, and putting out his hand for the letter, one of the party fired into the house; the ball did not take effect, but lodged in the wall opposite; they then demanded the surrender of the arms, in which, however, there was but a single stand; the sub-constable succeeded in getting the door closed; it being guarded by a chain, the assailants smashed the windows, above and below, but did not effect an entrance, but went away elsewhere, firing shots as they left.

 8. *Gurtavoher*

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8. *Gurtavoher* (*County Tipperary*).—At 11 p.m., on the 5th instant, a large party of armed Fenians attacked this barrack, and called on the men to surrender; the constable refused, and hearing some threats he fired on his assailants, and it is believed several were wounded; the firing on both sides was continued for an hour; the door was pierced by bullets and the windows broken; the party, including the constable, numbered five men; the assailants being baffled, went away, leaving three pikes behind them outside the barrack.

9. *Drogheda.*—On the night of the 5th instant, information was received that armed men were gathering in this town, and over a thousand (it was computed) were quickly assembled in the Potato Market-square; Sub-inspector Gardiner, and the available constabulary of the town went out to disperse them, some of them fired on the police, who returned the fire without hesitation and with some effect, the result of which was that the insurgents were thrown into disorder, and began to retire; after several shots had been fired by the police, the insurgents, with the exception of some wounded and other prisoners, were no were to be seen; upwards of 20 prisoners were taken, and many wounded must have been taken away by their friends; the police also captured some rifles and other weapons, a large quantity of ammunition, and a case full of bottles of "Greek fire." Having lodged the prisoners in gaol, the police returned to the scene, and found the street strewed with ball cartridge; one of the wounded prisoners is since dead.

10. *Ballynockin* (*County Cork*).—At 10 p.m., the 6th March, this barrack was attacked by insurgents; the Constabulary defended it for two hours, when, the lower part being set fire, the police had to descend from the windows of the upper story, when they were severally disarmed by their assailants; during the defence of the barrack two of the rebels were shot by the police; the latter escaped to Mallow.

Several instances of marked gallantry on the part of individual policemen, dispatched on some special duty, have already been reported, and others, it cannot be doubted, will come to light; the conduct of Acting Constable Duggan, in Kerry, of Sub-constable Keer, in Queen's County, and Sub-constable Connor, in Limerick, may be specially referred to under this head.

The importance of the service rendered by the Constabulary on the nights of the 5th and 6th March will be seen and doubtless appreciated from the foregoing statement: for had a decided success attended any of these various attacks, it is impossible to say how far this rebellious movement might have spread; the signal failure of the attempt at a general insurrection which was made on this occasion may therefore be mainly attributed to the success which attended in almost every instance the gallant defence made by the Constabulary of their several stations, and which resulted in the dispersion of the insurgents. A great national service was thereby rendered, one which in his Excellency's opinion is worthy of public recognition.

I am therefore directed by his Excellency to state that it his earnest desire that a vote of 2,000 *l.*, as suggested by the Inspector General, should be placed upon the Estimates, and specially submitted to the consideration of the House of Commons.

The distribution of this sum will be undertaken by the Inspector General in concert with the Irish Government, and will be awarded to the men in that proportion which the Inspector General may think best fitted for each particular case. His Excellency feels certain that such a recognition of services as would be made by a special Vote of Parliament, would be the most gratifying mode in which a public testimony could be awarded to the members of the force.

The Secretary of the Treasury,
&c. &c. &c.

I have, &c.
(signed) *Naas.*

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Mr. *G. A. Hamilton* to the Chief Secretary for *Ireland.*

My Lord, Treasury Chambers, 30 March 1867.

WITH reference to your Lorship's letter of the 20th instant, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to state that they entirely agree with his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, in the sentiments he expresses with regard to the conduct of the Constabularly Force of Ireland, generally during the late Fenian disturbances, and the loyalty, fidelity, and courage which have been so signally displayed recently in particular instances by many members of that force.

I am to add that my Lords will readily direct that a Vote of 2,000 *l.* shall be submitted specially to the House of Commons, if granted, to be distributed by the Inspector General in recognition of particular services.

I have, &c.
(signed) *Geo. A. Hamilton.*

The Chief Secretary for Ireland, &c. &c.
Irish Office.

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CONSTABULARY (IRELAND).

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(*Lord Naas.*)

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed,*
10 *August* 1867.

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